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GROUP 3600 Locking Device for a Closure with a Housing

EXAMINER:

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2002 (a request for a three-month extension of time being enclosed), in which the Examiner raised objections to the specification, drawings, and claims and rejected Claims 3 and 8 for allegedly being indefinite, and rejected the claims as being unpatentable over the prior art.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, beneath the title, insert headings as follows:

- Background of the Invention
 - 1. Field of the Invention -;